

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 4 of page 84 with the following amended paragraph:

[[ ( ) ] ] The nucleotide sequence of the present compound is complementary to a sequence corresponding to nucleotide Nos. 60658-60682 described in GenBank accession No. AL935325 [ ( ) ] ]. As the forward primer, a compound (1.25 mM) described in any of Examples 3 and 4 and Reference Examples 11 to 18 was used. A solution comprising 5 ml (1.25 mM) of the forward primer, 5 ml (1.25 mM) of the reverse primer, 12.5 ml of Premix Taq (manufactured by Takara Shuzo Co., Ltd.), 0.125 ml of the genomic DNA solution (100 ng/1 ml) and 2.38 ml of sterilized water was subjected to a PCR reaction (Hot Start method), using a Takara PCR Thermal Cycler PERSONAL (TP240). As the reaction cycle, after a heat treatment at 94°C for 10 minutes, a cycle consisting of 94°C, 1 minute, 63°C, 1 minute, and 72°C, 1 minute, was repeated for 30 cycles. After completion of the reaction, 1 ml of a loading solution was added to 5 ml of the reaction solution,

this was followed by 10% polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis (1 x TBE, 200 V constant voltage, approximately 1 hour). Thereafter, the resultant gel was stained with SYBR Green I (manufactured by Cambrex), and the Molecular Imager FX Fluorescent Imager system (Bio-Rad) was used to visualize the band.